Washington State Liquor Control Board

Survey of Customers & Non-customers: Satisfaction & Potential Changes





Methods

- Telephone Survey: December 26 28, 2010
- 599 customers of and 611 non-customers of Washington State Liquor Stores
- Phone numbers were selected at random from the list of registered voter household. Survey respondents were over the age of 21, but not necessarily a registered voter.
- Margin of sampling error: ±4%



Respondent Profile

In interpreting these findings, it is important to keep in mind the characteristics of the people actually interviewed. This table presents a profile of the 599 WSLCB customers and 611 non-customers interviewed for this survey.

Note: Here and throughout this report, percentages may not add to 100%, due to rounding.

	CUST	NON			CUST	NON	
GENDER	48% 52%	43% 57%	Male Female	CONSUME ALCOHOL	96%	33%	YES
AGE:	10% 27% 40% 23% 1%	8% 18% 35% 38% 1%	21-35 36-50 51-64 65+ No Answer	EMPLOYMENT:	15% 27% 18% 8% 1% 29% 2%	9% 21% 13% 8% 2% 46% 1%	Self-employed or owner Private business Public sector Not employed Student Retired No Answer
REGION	31% 15% 18% 18% 18%	28% 17% 19% 15% 21%	King County Pierce+Kitsap No. Sound West East	HOUSEHOLD:	34% 49% 4% 13% 1%	28% 47% 4% 20% 0%	Couple with children Couple with no children Single with children Single with no children No Answer
COMMUNITY:	24% 34% 24% 19%	23% 31% 24% 20% 1%	Urban Suburban Small Town Rural No Answer	INCOME:	9% 20% 23% 34% 13%	17% 24% 22% 20% 17%	< \$25,000 \$25 - \$50,000 \$50 - \$75,000 \$75,000 + No Answer

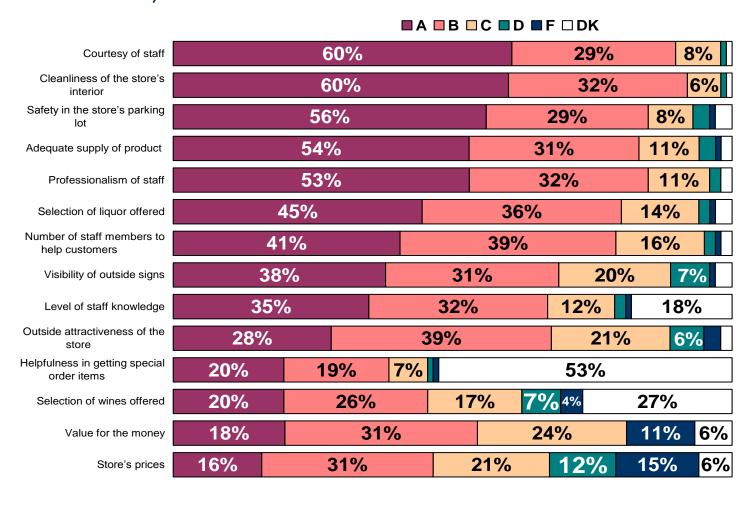


Key Findings

- ◆ 46% of all respondents shopped at a state liquor store in the last year
- Half said shopping days "OK as is"
- Stores got generally high marks from customers
- High ratings for convenience
- **◆ 2/3** said there were the "right number" of liquor stores
- Majority of customers supported suggested changes
- Most Non-customers opposed every change



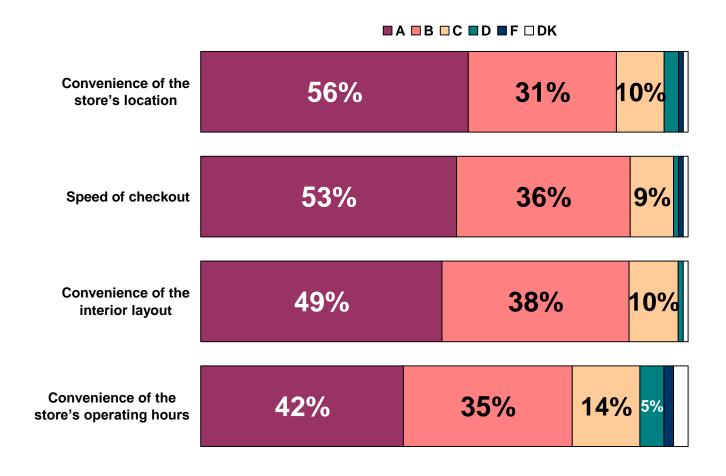
Courtesy, Cleanliness Got Highest Grades; Wine Selection, Value, Prices Scored Lowest



Q8: Now, I'd like to ask about your impression of the liquor store you shop most frequently. As I read a list of things about the store, I would like you to rate each one. We will use a letter grade system, like they use in school, where "A" is Excellent, "B" is Good, "C" is Satisfactory, "D" is Unsatisfactory and "F" is Failing.



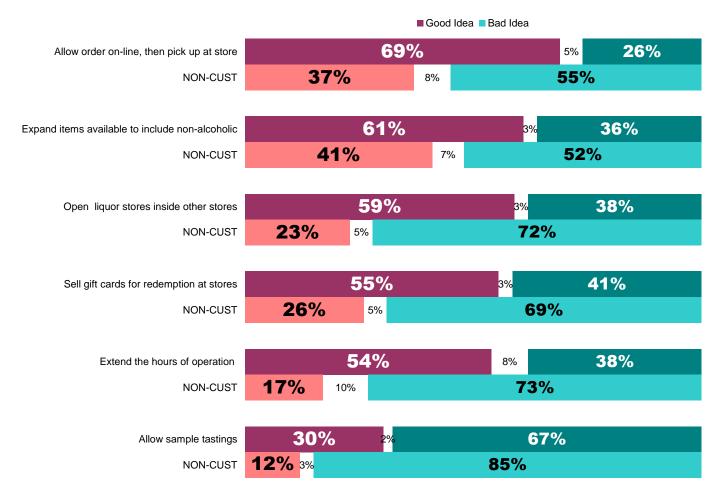
Convenience Factors Mostly Graded A or B



Q10: Next, I'd like to ask you a few questions about customer convenience. Using the same grading scale as before, how would you rate... .



Most Customers Support Most Suggested Changes; Most Non-customers Oppose



Q13: The state is considering some changes in the operation of its liquor stores. As I read a few of these, tell me whether you think that is a good idea or a bad idea.